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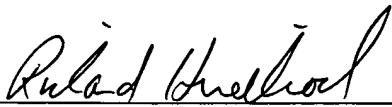
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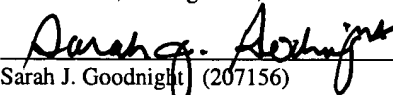
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Application No. 10/003,123	)	
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	)	Art Unit: 2143
For: MESSAGING APPLICATION LAYER	)	
OVER ETHERNET TO TRANSPORT	)	
LAYER (TCP) COMMUNICATIONS	)	
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A	)	
MODULAR TERMINAL	)	
INPUT/OUTPUT SYSTEM	)	

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Dear Sir:

This letter is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 12, 2004. In this application, claims 11-31 are pending.

**Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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